

In Claim 46, line 1, delete "any one of claims 30 to 45" and insert --Claim 30--.

In Claim 48, line 3, delete "any one of claims 1 to 21" and insert --Claim 1--.

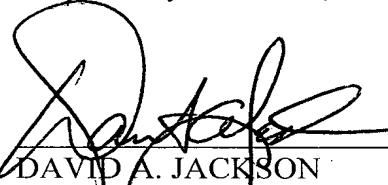
REMARKS

The above amendments are submitted herewith to reduce multiple dependencies and to conform the claims more closely to U.S. practice.

The amendments made herein are with respect to amended Claims 1-51 included in the Written Opinion submitted during the pendency of the International Application. A copy of the Written Opinion dated February 9, 1998, which included the amended claims, is enclosed herewith for your reference.

Entry of the foregoing amendments and early and favorable processing in the National Phase before the United States Patent and Trademark Office is courteously solicited.

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